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Historically Underutilized Business Zone(HUBZone)

The City of Chula Vista is invested in the success of our local small businesses. Providing you with timely, accurate and relevant information to help you build your businesses' success is a top priority. One program opportunity applicable to your business is the Historically Underutilized Business Zone (HUBZone).

The HUBZone program helps small businesses in urban and rural communities gain preferential access to federal procurement opportunities (federal contracts). These preferences go to small businesses that obtain HUBZone certification in part by employing staff who live in a HUBZone. The company must also maintain a "principal office" in one of the specifically designated area, which you are already a part of.

The HUBZone Empowerment Contracting program was enacted into law as part of the Small Business Reauthorization Act of 1997. The program is administered and supervised by the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA). The program encourages economic development and is in line with the efforts of both the Administration and Congress to promote employment growth in distressed areas.

For a business (except tribally-owned concerns) to qualify for the program, they must meet the following criteria:

- It must be a small business by the SBA standards
- It must be owned and controlled at least 51% by U.S. citizens, or a Community Development Corporation, and agricultural cooperative, or an Indian tribe
- Its principal office must be located within a "Historically Underutilized Business Zone," which includes lands considered "Indian Country: and military facilities closed by the Base Realignment and Closure Act
- At least 35% of its employees must reside in a HUBZone (does not have to be in a Chula Vista HUBZone)

The Small Business Administration (SBA) regulates and implements HUBZone



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For more information and to apply please visit: <http://www.sba.gov/hubzone/>

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